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Applicant(s): Bhattacharya et al.

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For: PROCESS FOR AUTOMATED GENERATION OF DESIGN-SPECIFIC COMPLEX FUNCTIONAL BLOCKS TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF SYNTHESIZED DIGITAL INTEGRATED CIRCUITS IN CMOS

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$420.00 to extend the time for filing this response until November 19, 2003.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	34	Minus	30	4	x \$18.00	\$72.00
Independent Claims	4	Minus	4	0	x \$86.00	\$0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					\$280.00 = \$	
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES					\$72.00	

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$492.00.

XXX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge in the amount of \$492.00 and any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

November 19, 2003

Date



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